'STAG SHOW' ARRESTS

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DA Gets Haggerty Data

The Police Department today turned over to the District Attorney's office a detailed, 25-page report on the vice squad raid that netted Criminal District Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. and 15 other persons at an alleged "stag show" at a Tulane Avenue motel.

The DA's office may either accept or refuse the charges against Haggerty and the other arrested persons or can refer the entire matter to the Orleans Parish Grand Jury which could return indictments or dismiss the charges.

Another possibility is that the charges could be referred to Municipal Court if it were felt there was not enough evidence to obtain convictions on major charges in Criminal District Court.

THE REPORT was presented by Sgt. Robert Frey, commander of the Vice Squad, to Assistant DA John Volz. Volz is expected to confer with First Assistant DA James L. Alcock and DA Jim Garrison.

Garrison is currently confined to his home by recent surgery for a back ailment.

The last meeting of the grand jury before January will be held tomorrow because Thursday the regular meeting day, is New Year's Day. It is not expected that the DA's office will have made a final decision in time for tomorrow's grand jury session, although it is a possibility.

HAGGERTY who gained national prominence presiding at the conspiracy trial of Clay L. Shaw earlier this year, was booked at the "stag show" with conspiring to commit obscenity, soliciting for prostitution, simple battery on police and resisting arrest.

Three women were arrested at the gathering at the De-Ville Motel.

Haggerty has refused to comment on the raid. Released on his own recognizance, he has conducted his court since the incident when he was photographed battling with, and being subdued by, police.

Through a spokesman, the judge has held he is not guilty of any wrongdoing and that he was attending a traditional New Orleans "before-the-wedding bachelor party."

SGT. FREY has said that bachelor parties do not charge admission or request an extra $5 for live entertainment. The vice squad commander has said also that it was understood that after the entertainment prostitution would take place for an additional fee.

Police would not release copies of the report and parried reporter's questions, saying that any premature release of information could jeopardize their case against the arrested persons.

BULLETIN

Burglars escaped with $1,005 worth of Sugar Bowl and Super Bowl tickets this afternoon, after prying locks on an office door of Suite 1720 in the 225 Baronne Building. Police said 75 Sugar Bowl tickets valued at $525 and 32 Super Bowl tickets valued at $480 were taken from the office of B. J. Grenrood, 47, 114 Fairway Drive.